

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 MOGADI 00899 241012Z
ACTION NODS-00

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /001 W
-----038633 241013Z /20
O 240940Z APR 78 ZFF4
FM AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6211

S E C R E T MOGADISCIO 0899

NODIS

E.O. 11652: XGDS-3
TAGS: MASS, SO, US
SUBJ: TEXT OF SIAD LETTER ON ARMS SUPPLY

REF: STATE 096178

1. DURING MY MEETING WITH PRESIDENT SIAD, REPORTED SEPTEL,
HE HANDED ME THE FOLLOWING TEXT DATED APRIL 23:

BEGIN QUOTE: MR. AMBASSADOR,

FOLLOWING TO MY PREVIOUS LETTER DATED 23RD MARCH, 1978;
REFERENCE TO THE LETTER OF MR. RICHARD M. MOOSE, SPECIAL
EMISSARY OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES DATED 22/3/78;
REFERENCE TO THE LETTER OF THE UNITED STATE'S AMBASSADOR IN
MOGADISHU, MR. JOHN L. LOUGHRAN DATED 19/4/78. THE SOMALI
GOVERNMENT ASSURE TO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO REFRAIN
FROM THE USE OF FORCE AGAINST ANY OTHER COUNTRY; THAT ARMA-
MENT AND DEFENSIVE SERVICE GIVEN OR SOLD TO THE SOMALI
GOVERNMENT WILL NOT BE USE AGAINST ANY OTHER COUNTRY OR WILL
NOT PERMIT SUCH ARMAMENTS AND ARTICLES THEIR USE FOR ANY
PURPOSES OTHER THAN OWN INTERNAL SECURITY AND LEGITIMATE
DEFENCE OF THE TERRITORY OF THE SOMALI DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC.

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 MOGADI 00899 241012Z

- THAT SOMALI GOVERNMENT WILL NOT TRANSFER THE TITLE
OR POSSESSION OF THEM WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINED THE CON-
SENTS OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

- WILL MAINTAIN THEIR SECURITY AND WILL PROVIDE SUB-
STANTIALY THE SAME DEGREE OF SECURITY PROTECTIONS
AFFORDED TO SUCH ARTICLES AND SERVICE SUPPLIED BY THE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

SIGNED: SIAD
(MAJ. GEN. MOHAMED SIAD BARRE)
PRESIDENT
OF THE SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

MR. JOHN L. LOUGHRAN
AMBASSADOR OF THE UNITED STATES
MOGADISHU END QUOTE

2. I HAVE STUDIED THE TEXT TOGETHER WITH MY REFTEL
INSTRUCTIONS AND I CONCLUDE THAT IT MEETS THE REQUIRE-
MENTS FOR SUBSTANCE AND CLARITY. THE LANGUAGE IS
ADMITTEDLY COLORFUL. I SHOULD PREFER NOT TO BE
INSTRUCTED TO SEEK A FURTHER REVISION, BUT IF IT IS
NECESSARY, OR MIGHT SPARE EMBARRASSMENT SHOULD IT BE
NECESSARY TO MAKE THE EXCHANGE PUBLIC, THEN I AM PRE-
PARED TO DO SO. SIAD APOLOGIZED FOR THE ENGLISH. THERE
IS NO DOUBT IN MY MIND THAT HE PERSONALLY WROTE THE
LETTER.
LOUGHRAN

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic DecapTIONing: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: TEXT, MILITARY ASSISTANCE, MILITARY EQUIPMENT, ARMS, DIPLOMATIC COMMUNICATIONS, FOREIGN POLICY POSITION, CAT-B
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 24 apr 1978
DecapTION Date: 01 jan 1960
DecapTION Note:
Disposition Action: Released in Full
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: 200202525
Disposition Comment: RECORDING OF CLASSIFICATION/RECLASSIFICATION ACTION IN SAS (STATE ARCHIVING SYSTEM) BY THE DESIGNATED AUTHORITY FOR THIS ACTION, WHO HAS APPROVED RECLASSIFICATION AND OR EXTENSION ACTION ON THIS DOCUMENT.
Disposition Date: 05 mar 2008
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: Released in Full by JOHN MILLS on 05-MAR-08 ;
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978MOGADI00899
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: P850070-1653
Format: TEL
From: MOGADISHU MOGADISCIO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780424/aaaaauez.tel
Line Count: 84
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 98ccc9a8-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION NODS
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: NODIS
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: NODIS
Reference: 78 STATE 96178
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 27 apr 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2871195
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: TEXT OF SIAD LETTER ON ARMS SUPPLY
TAGS: MASS, PPDC, SO, US, (MOHAMED SIAD BARRE)
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/98ccc9a8-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014

